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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

WOMEN'S STUDIES SEEKS NOMINEES FOR WOMEN OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University's Women's Studies Council is encouraging area residents to nominate women who have made significant contributions to their community and/or to Eastern for the annual "Women of Achievement Awards."

These awards will be a part of the celebration of Women's History and Awareness Month in March. Anyone may write a letter of nomination or letters of support recognizing women who have significantly improved the quality of women's lives and advanced the status of women in the area.

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NOMINEES FOR ACHIEVEMENT

Each nomination letter must include an explanation of the nominee's contributions, achievements, and her address and telephone number. Letters of nomination or support should be sent to Edith R. Hedges, School of Home Economics, Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, 61920, before Feb. 26.

Last year, the Women's Studies Council presented the "Women of Achievement Awards" to Melody Allison of Charleston, a registered nurse; Kathleen Roberts of Charleston, director of the Coles County Mental Health Center; M. Antoinette Spinner of Pana, an EIU graduate student in political science; and Evette Pearson of Chicago, an EIU junior journalism major. Past recipients of the awards are not eligible a second time. As many as three awards are given each year.

"Women of Achievement Awards" recipients will be guests of honor at the WSC Awards Banquet on March 30.